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**RESPONSE TO JULY 27, 2005 ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

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This paper is submitted in response to the July 27, 2005 Election of Species Requirement.

The one-month response date is August 29, 2005 because August 27, 2005 falls on a Saturday.

Applicants elect Species XII. Applicants note that the Species V figures are part of Species IV (*see* the brief descriptions of figures 27A-28O on pages 17 and 18 of the application).

Applicants believe that the following claims, when read in light of the specification, may be “readable” on elected Species XII: 1-11, 14-19, 21-31, 33-45 and 47.

The present election and designation of claims "readable" on the elected species is made only for the purpose of complying with the election requirement. Applicants reserve the right to make any argument deemed necessary concerning the scope or proper construction of terms within the designated "readable" claims. Nothing in this response should be taken as an admission or disclaimer concerning the scope of those claims.

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The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (512) 536-3031 with any questions, comments or suggestions concerning this patent application.

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